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Protesters target Ahmadinejad's New York hotel

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NEW YORK- Protesters targeted the Manhattan hotel where Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad was staying yesterday while attending the UN General Assembly. About 50 people yelled slogans and waved placards near the upscale Warwick Hotel where the Iranian leader had booked in for the second year running during the annual UN get-together. "Warwick, Warwick, shame on you," they chanted. One person held a placard reading: "Out of the Warwick, out of New York, out of the UN." Police kept the small crowd a block from the hotel, where concrete barriers had been installed to block the sidewalk to vehicles. Security guards manned a metal detector set up outside the sole entrance to the hotel.

Aruba Green Energy Conference to host a "Matchmaking" event with international concerns

It was announced yesterday by Aruba's Minister of Finance, Communications, Utilities and Energy, Mike de Meza, that the third Aruba Green Energy Conference, beginning on October 3, will host a special event in keeping with this year's theme, "Smart & Sustainable."

The past years have introduced many experts with ideas for assisting Aruba's large concerns and governmental agencies in "going green," but this year will focus greatly on the consumer and practicalities. On October 2, in cooperation



Minister de Meza

Commission, Frank Hoevertsz, informed there will be 20 important international companies present on Aruba for the event. This will be a rare and welcome opportunity for astute business people to explore the possibility of new ventures and acquire first hand information.

Ms. Sharon Erasmus of Arina, expressed their pride in taking an active role in organizing this opportunity for investment, and urges island entrepreneurs to attend and explore new products and services to offer the community. Arina's "Green Missions Program" breakfast briefing will provide infor-

mation about Aruba's economy, outlook, opportunities for investing, and various organizations that can further assist investors in realizing projects in or through Aruba.

Director of TNO (The Netherlands Organization for Applied Science Research) Caribbean Branch on Aruba, Jan Ebbing, explained the second program on October 2, is intended for managers, policy advisors/professionals and entrepreneurs who have keen interest in global sus-



Jan Ebbing of TNO

tainable development trends and their application to small scale islands such as Aruba.

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Frank Hoevertsz of the Utilities Commission

with Aruba's Chamber of Commerce, (KVK) Freezone, Aruba Trade and Industry Association, ATIA, and the Aruba Investment Association, ARINA, the conference will kick-off with a marketplace for local concerns to meet international companies specializing in technology and means for harnessing clean energy.

Minister de Meza urged businesses of all kinds to contact their appropriate representation among the collaborating island business organization to assist them in this "matchmaking" session. Head of Aruba's Utilities



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Supermarket control is a serious matter



In a recent statement issued by Minister of Economic Affairs, Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar, she indicated that supermarket control is an integral part of the government's management and that they intend on focusing more and more on this.

With the cooperation of the police, controllers of the Department of Economic Affairs will take the necessary steps to issue sanctions where supermarket owners fail to comply with the stipulated laws.

On a regular basis the Department of Economic Affairs will send controllers to these businesses, particularly those businesses selling products protected by law...products specifically tied to a maximum price. At the same time they will utilize the Department of Public Health and the police to control prices and the quality of the business hygiene as well as the corresponding business permits to operate the business.

During last Friday's control, the team of controllers encountered various cases which fell short of the requirements and where certain drastic measures had to be taken. With this recent action, the government is sending a strong statement to business owners to pay attention to what they are selling and in what conditions they are operating. Controllers encountered several businesses selling products which had expired more than one year ago!

The Minister reported that this is the type of situation we want to avoid and that the government will continue these controls to insist that this not continue. These controls will continue in a more structured manner. According to the Minister, business owners are responsible for what they sell, and the government will not permit the sale of inferior products to consumers, nor in unhygienic environments.

Drug addiction congress promises to be informative

The international congress on drug addiction begins this week, September 25 to 27 at the Westin Resort. They have planned both day and evening sessions dealing with a myriad of topics and groups. This conference promises to be major, delivering positive results regarding the dilemma of drug addiction.

Aruba is currently in the epoch where drug addiction is affecting many of our young people, for this very reason such a conference is of such importance to us at this time. The conference should provide us with the necessary tools and knowledge to help combat this serious problem. The conference has a very varied program with a specific focus on certain target groups.

During the conference various speakers both from Aruba and abroad will be speaking. Among the speakers are those from Curacao, St. Maarten, Saba and St. Eustatius who will be sharing their many years of experience in the field. For the three-day sessions, there will be a seating capacity of 300. However, the organizers expect an overwhelming response and many more participants. Entrance fee for the three days day-sessions is set at Afls.100, which will include lunch for each day, coffee and reception.

The conference, reportedly, is for all organizations working directly in the field of addiction. They want to make sure that these groups get as much information as possible so they can work more effectively in combating drug addiction. Following the conference, a report will be published and distributed relating to the problem of addiction with its focus specifically on our young people.

Willem van der Zee of Palier Forensische & Inten-



sive Zorg of Rotterdam, Holland, will be in attendance as one of the speakers. Congressman der Zee has said that..."for many years there has been an excellent relationship between the islands of the former Antilles and Aruba. From this good contact was born the idea for a combined congress on an international level. Since last year they began working on the concept and began making the preparations for this year's congress.

Three important aspects will get center stage in this conference, namely, prevention, type of methods for combating addiction and addiction after care.

There will also be an exposition from 22 artists who have prepared special presentations for the occasion. The congress begins at 8:00pm and at 9:30 they will begin an open bid "auction." All funds collected will be donated to the Fundacion Maneho di Adiccione Aruba (FMAA) which will enable them to continue their excellent work with their projects and treatment of addiction."

The two evening sessions will be free to the public. Each evening they will focus on a different group. Drug addic-

tion is a universal problem. The problem is also prominent in Holland.

All parents, teachers, directors of youth programs and young people are cordially invited to attend. At the end of the evening session they will present a module to each teacher that they can use in their school as a tool for learning how to deal with the problem of addiction. Young people wanting to attend must be at least 16 years of age, or older.

Thursday evening will be especially reserved for businessmen and employers. The evening will be directed completely to business owners who have employees who are drug users. The focus on Thursday will be on the employer who has an employee who needs to be helped. They will learn techniques and receive valuable tools on how to deal with these employees.

Paula Nahr, of Swich Foundation and leader of the congress, has indicated that the reactions to the conference is very positive. They have the notion that this will be a highly successful conference. Most of our citizens are eager to receive more information concerning the problem of addiction in our communities.

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Does Alto Vista have value?



Last Saturday, September 19th, every Parliamentarian received an invitation via email for a short meeting to be held that same day. There were 3 points on the agenda. Save Alto Vista has a copy of that email on their face book page. The entire AVP fraction attended the meeting along with only opposition parliamentarian. Towards the end of the meeting they added one agenda point, namely, the Urirama project.

In this meeting the AVP fraction decided to limit their discussion to the health aspect of the Urirama project and to solicit an opinion from a Dutch concern to evaluate this matter in a MER report. Thus, they cancelled the planned public

debate on the issue scheduled for September 24th.

According to Save Alto Vista, this modus operandi of the AVP fraction is their way of turning their backs on the cardinal issues of preoccupation with this project. The Alto Vista group contends that the cardinal issue here

is the protection and conservation of the pilgrimage concept of Kapel Alto Vista and the serene surrounding nature of the area. There is absolutely no need for a first MER study to evaluate this...and much less a second study. Especially, any study done by Dutchmen who have no notion of our culture nor customs.

To erect 10 industrial wind turbines in the serene nature area of Alto Vista Kapel is to destroy the essence of Aruba's only spiritual pilgrimage site and Aruba's only homage to the first historic church on the island (built in 1752).

The site is a place of spiritual contemplation for believers and non-believers, all people of

the island and for visitors. It is the ONLY place of spiritual contemplation in the serenity of nature and authentic Aruba. A government decree issued by this very government in 2009, declared the entire area a nature protected territory. (Land Besluit Ruimte Ordening 2009). This is a highly valuable and significantly sacred area of unique pilgrimage value to all.

The strategic political maneuver of the AVP fraction on September 19 is their way of bypassing a public debate in Parliament, and to allow one other additional advice from Holland on the health aspect, to take the place of a responsible and profound debate on all the issues bearing on this crucial matter.

Save Alto Vista still expects the government to hold such a public debate where all the matters of concern can be openly discussed including: cultural value, historic and touristic, environment, together with a study of birds in the area, technical aspects, financial feasibility of the land and for the people. Also, Minister Sevinger must respond to the questions raised in a recent Parliament meeting presided by Paul Croes.

New Tourism Office for San Nicolas



SAN NICOLAS -- This week we celebrate tourism week, and according to the government there could not have been a better time than this week to inaugurate the new tourism office in San Nicolas. September 27 is International Day of Tourism and they have chosen that day for the official inauguration of the Tourism Office in San Nicolas.

We recall, it was just a matter of months ago that the Minister of Tourism accompanied by Minister de Meza and a press crew had announced that they would be constructing an office for tourism in the lower section of the Postal Building. From that moment on, reportedly, work was begun on this project. That project is now completed and ready for inauguration this week. San Nicolas now has a tourism office which can provide service and

serve as a guide to visitors, especially those visiting that end of the island.

The purpose of this office in San Nicolas is to provide visitors with information so as to interest them in spending more time in the San Nicolas area. We want our visitors to come to San Nicolas for more than the Carubbean Festival and to visit Charlie's Bar or Baby Beach. They must learn that there is more to see and do in San Nicolas.

Together with the Tourism Office they published a brochure with information unique to the attractions in this part of the island. The brochure illustrates the different activities available in the San Nicolas area.

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Aruba Green Energy Conference to host . . .

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Sharon Erasmus of ARINA

The central topic of the program is labeled "Sustainable Aruba + 20, achieving a Triple P-rating: a healthy balance between People, Planet and Profit". This inherent balance between economic growth and social wellbeing

touches on a variety of societal themes aligned to TNO's areas of expertise: Healthy living, Transport and mobility, Build environment, Industrial innovation, Defense safety and security, Information society and Energy.

The October 2 program will begin at 8:00 AM, with a presentation by Aruba's Minister of Social & Economic Affairs and Culture, Michelle Hooyboer Winklaar, who will speak on "Aruba: The Green Gateway." Attendance to the Pre Conference Day program is free. To register and insure a place contact Arina, Mrs. Michelle Harms, Tel: 582-5659, Email: m.harms@arina-aruba.co or visit the Aruba Green Energy Conference website <http://www.greenaruba.org> to download an application form.

by Rosalie Klein

Mrs. Beatrice Logan honored at the Divi Phoenix



Recently, the Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure of honoring a very nice lady as Ambassador of Goodwill of Aruba. The honoree is Mrs. Beatrice Logan from Brooklyn NY. and a loyal visitor of the Divi Phoenix Beach Resort. The certificate was presented to her by Mr. Ernest Giel representing the Aruba Tourism Authority together with Ms. Jennifer representing the Aruba Divi Phoenix Resort.

Bachelor Bull handed over at the university of Aruba



Recently, 12 students received their Bachelor Bull at the Law faculty of the University of Aruba. Duan Angela, Micheline Bury, Carina Carotenuto, Cesar Gomez, Sahaira Kelly, Suzette Kock, Glenn Ling, Jeanette Baars, Lysandra Rivadeneira, Edgar Vrolijk, Egberto Werleman and Ruell Wester received their bull from Mr. dr. V.V.R. van Bogaert, research assistant of "Constitutional and Administrative Law". Professor mr. G.R. de Groot gave a lecture on Sports and Law. The University of Aruba congratulates all the graduates and wishes them lots of success in their future endeavors.

Fish away at the Stellaris Casino

Aruba's largest casino, the Stellaris Casino announces the debut of the Paradise Fishing slot machines, the only one in the Caribbean.

Paradise Fishing delivers an animated experience in the palm of the players' hands through a simulated fishing rod filled with individual and competitive bonus. With three 60-inch wide, LCD video screens the slots provide high-visibility and visual entertainment with a simulated rod controller as fishing rod. Players will feel the resistance on the "rod" which creates the sensation of real-life fishing.

Controller mimics action of a real fishing rod and tilts forward and backwards allowing



the hook to move up and down to attract fish.

Guests are invited to experience the deep sea fishing sen-

sation at the Stellaris Casino daily from 7:00 am till 4:00 am.

Bon Bini Festival is tonight



The weekly Bon Bini Festival takes place tonight at the Fort Zoutman in Wilhelminastraat. Bon Bini Festival is the only weekly folkloric event on the island. Come mingle with the locals and enjoy a taste of Aruban culture.

This week the festival will feature music by the traditional Aruba caha di orgel, folkloric music, dance performance and brass band.

During the festival there will be local food, sweets and traditional local arts and crafts on sale.

Arubus has regular busses from all hotels areas to Oranjestad Central Terminal, which is only a short walk from Fort Zoutman. Round trip bus fare is \$2.30. The festival is from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Entrance fee is \$5.

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Abu Hamza extradition to US backed by Europe rights court

LONDON (AFP) - Britain vowed yesterday to hand over radical Muslim preacher Abu Hamza to the United States on terrorism charges as soon as possible after the European Court of Human Rights rejected his final appeal.

The court upheld an April 10 ruling against the hook-handed terror suspect and four others which had approved their extradition by London.

The suspects had argued that they would face degrading treatment because they would be sent to the notorious ADX

supermax prison in Florence, Colorado and would face possible multiple life sentences.

But the Grand Chamber of the court unanimously decided there would be "no violation" of the European Convention of Human Rights if they were sent to the United States.

The British government welcomed the decision, which comes after a lengthy legal battle that has dented the Conservative-led administration's claims to be tough on national security.

A British government

source told AFP the extradition was "likely to be within weeks rather than days".

Hamza lodged the appeal along with computer expert Babar Ahmad, who has been held in a British prison without trial for eight years after being accused of raising funds for terrorism. The others to lose their appeals were Syed Tahla Ahsan, Adel Abdul Bary and Khaled Al-Fawwaz.

The court suspended judgment on a sixth man, Haroon Rashid Aswat, saying it required further consultations on

his schizophrenia.

Abu Hamza, the former imam of the Finsbury Park mosque in north London, is wanted in the United States on charges including setting up an Al-Qaeda-style training camp for militants in the northwestern US state of Oregon.

He is also accused of having sent money and recruits to assist Afghanistan's hardline Taliban militia and Al-Qaeda, and of helping a gang of kidnappers in Yemen who abducted a 16-strong party of Western tourists in 1998.

Hamza, who is in his mid-50s and has one eye and a hook for one hand, was jailed in Britain for seven years in 2006 for inciting followers to murder non-believers.

Aswat was indicted as Hamza's co-conspirator while Bary and Al-Fawwaz were indicted with late Al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden and 20 others for their alleged involvement in, or support for, the bombing of US embassies in Nairobi and Dar es Salaam in 1998.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

UN envoy says Assad clings to 'old' regime

UNITED NATIONS (AFP) - UN-Arab League envoy Lakhdar Brahimi said yesterday he sees no quick end to the Syrian war where president Bashar al-Assad is clinging to the "old" regime.

Brahimi gave the divided UN Security Council a grim picture of the worsening conflict with a government using "medieval" torture on people in secret detention centers and ignoring all calls for change.

Syria will be one of the dominant themes of the UN General Assembly which starts today with US President Barack Obama expected to lead renewed international condemnation of Assad. But despite Brahimi's warnings and the pleas of Western leaders, envoys see little hope of piercing Russian and Chinese resistance to international pressure on the Syrian government.

"There is no prospect for today or tomorrow to move forward," Brahimi told reporters after briefing the 15-nation Security Council on his recent talks with Assad.

Brahimi said he had told Assad and others in Syria that there had to be "change" but acknowledged that for the moment there was a "stalemate" and he still has no full peace plan to offer.

Inside the closed council meeting, he told UN envoys that "there is no safe place for those who are caught in violence, which is now engulfing almost the entire country," according to a text of his speech obtained by AFP.

"The sad truth is that a Syrian citizen, man, woman or teenager, does not need to do much these days to be picked up by one of the many security agencies," he said.

He said most observers estimated that more than 30,000 people have been detained in jail "or in one of the much feared 'secret' detention centers where maltreatment and medieval forms of torture are so common."

Brahimi said he had been told that more than 1,000 people had died under "severe torture." He outlined the humanitarian struggle to help at least 1.5 million people who have fled their homes and at 280,000 who are in refugee camps in Lebanon, Jordan, Turkey and Iraq.

There are growing food shortages because the harvest has been devastated by the conflict, medical supplies are barely available and people are scared to go to hospitals because of the presence of "security agents."



Residents throw stones and beer bottles at a demolition team and anti-riot police during an operation at an informal settlers area to give way for a local government project in Manila. More than two million people in Metro Manila — or roughly one fifth of the sprawling city's population — live in shanty towns as so-called informal settlers.

State Department slams CNN use of slain envoy's diary

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The US State Department has accused CNN of "distasteful" reporting after it used the contents of a private diary kept by slain US ambassador to Libya Christopher Stevens without the consent of his family.

Senior State Department aide Philippe Reines told reporters in a statement over the weekend that the television network engaged in "atrocious behavior" in making use of the late envoy's diary as it reported on events leading up to his death at the hands of militants who stormed the US consulate in Benghazi earlier this month.

Reines said CNN removed the journal from the US mission in Libya after the deadly attack, which also killed three other US diplomatic staff, and then went on to use information obtained from it against the express wishes of the diplomat's family.

Reines said the family told a network executive in a conference call they they did not want the journal used until they had had an opportunity to review its contents.

CNN said it felt the public had a right to know what it had learned from multiple sources about the fears of a terrorist threat before the attack on the consulate.

"We reached out to the family of Ambassador Stevens

within hours of retrieving the journal and returned it through a third party, within less than 24 hours from the time we found it. Out of respect to the family, we have not quoted from or shown the journal," it said.

What CNN is "not owning up to is reading and transcribing Chris's diary well before both-ering to tell the family or anyone else that they took it from the site of the attack," Reines wrote in a lengthy memo sent to reporters on Sunday.

"When they finally did tell them, they completely ignored the wishes of the family, and ultimately broke their pledge made to them only hours after they witnessed the return to the United States of Chris's remains," he said.

Reines cited reports by CNN last week claiming it had obtained "exclusive information about the climate that led up" to the storming of the US diplomatic post in Libya.

Specifically, the network said, it had learned from "a source" that Stevens in the months before his death "talked about being worried about what he called the never-ending security threats, specifically in Benghazi," CNN news anchor Anderson Cooper said in one report last week.

"The source (is) telling us that the ambassador specifically mentioned the rise in Islamic

extremism, the growing Al-Qaeda presence in Libya, and said that he was on an Al-Qaeda hit list," Cooper said.

What CNN did not reveal, Reines said, is that Stevens' journal was the basis for much of that reporting.

He added that only in subsequent reporting did Cooper reveal that "some of that information was found in a personal journal of Ambassador Stevens in his handwriting."

"At their request, we returned that journal to them. We reported what we found newsworthy in the ambassador's writings. Our reporting followed up on what we found newsworthy, as I said, in the ambassador's writings," Cooper said in a report on Friday.

CNN issued a statement over the weekend defending its actions.

"The reason CNN ultimately reported Friday on the existence of the journal was because leaks to media organizations incorrectly suggested CNN had not quickly returned the journal, which we did," the television network wrote.

The network's position appears not to have mollified officials at State Department, however.

"Given the truth of how this was handled, CNN patting themselves on the back is disgusting," Reines said.

Nearly 1.5 million people displaced by floods in India

GUWAHATI (AFP) - Floods have forced nearly 1.5 million people to flee their homes in northeastern India where authorities have declared a health alert, officials said yesterday.

"Eighteen of 27 districts of Assam have been hit by floods with 1.4 million displaced and 11 people drowned in separated incidents in the past week," the Disaster Management agency said in a statement.

The floods, caused by relentless rains, marked the second round of massive flooding in two months to hit India's impoverished northeast and come towards the end of India's June-to-September monsoon season.

Nearly 130 people died and six million were displaced by floods in Assam state in July.

Rescue officials said in the latest floods, at least 2,200 villages had been swamped by overflowing waters from the rain-swollen Brahmaputra River.

Himanta Biswa Sarmah, the

health minister of Assam state, told AFP that a "maximum health alert" to avert outbreaks of diarrhea or diseases such as typhoid had been declared in

the devastated zone.

Officials said flooding victims had been evacuated to temporary shelters on higher ground.



Defected members of Islamist militant group al-Shabaab stand after giving themselves up to the African Union forces in Garsale, north of Mogadishu. Somalia's al-Qaeda linked Shabaab threatened yesterday to kill all the country's new lawmakers, saying that an MP killed at the weekend in Mogadishu was just the first to be targeted. After more than two decades of war, Mogadishu has been coming back to life since the Shabaab left frontline fighting positions, with a boom in building and business. However, the Shabaab have switched to guerrilla attacks -- including suicide bombings -- and remain a potent threat.

Ahmadinejad: Iran does not fear Israeli strike

UNITED NATIONS (AFP) - Iran does not take the threat of an Israeli strike on its nuclear infrastructure seriously and is unconcerned by Western economic sanctions, President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said yesterday.

In New York ahead of an address to the United Nations General Assembly, Ahmadinejad struck a defiant stance yesterday before an audience of Iranian expatriates and then in an exchange with a group of senior US journalists.

"A number of uncultured Zionists that threaten the Iranian nation today are never counted and are never paid any attention in the equations of the Iranian nation," he told the expatriates, according to his own website.

Reporters in his meeting with US media leaders confirmed that he had said: "While the Iranian people are ready to defend ourselves, I don't believe the threats are of fundamental importance."

Ahmadinejad went on to make his oft repeated claim that Western sanctions against Iranian economic interests were hurting the European economy more than his own, and denied allegations that Tehran aims to build a nuclear weapon.

Western powers and Israel say that Iran's uranium enrichment program is designed to produce fuel for an atomic bomb, and Israel has warned that it reserves the right to take pre-emptive military action.

Washington has also said it would not tolerate Iran becoming a nuclear-armed power, but along with its European allies, is still trying to use economic and diplomatic pressure to force Iran to halt its centrifuges.



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French mountain town reels from Nepal avalanche

CHAMONIX (AFP) - The French mountain town of Chamonix was reeling yesterday from an avalanche in Nepal that left nine people dead and three climbers missing, many from this community in the Alps.

Authorities in Paris said four of the dead and two of the missing were French citizens, among them guides well-

known in the Chamonix community and international winter sports circles.

Perched at the base of the Mont Blanc massif, Chamonix is a major center for winter sports in France, especially for mountain climbing, and the town is no stranger to climbing tragedies.

Earlier this year it mourned the death of nine foreign

climbers -- three Britons, three Germans, two Spaniards and a Swiss national -- killed in an avalanche on Mont Maudit in the Mont Blanc massif.

"There is never zero risk on the mountain, we know that, but we never get used to this kind of tragedy," Houal said.

The Nepal avalanche left nine dead, including four French, one Nepali mountain

guide, a Spaniard, a German and an Italian. A Canadian was also among the missing.

French authorities have not officially identified those killed and missing after the Nepal avalanche, but most residents here were expecting bad news.

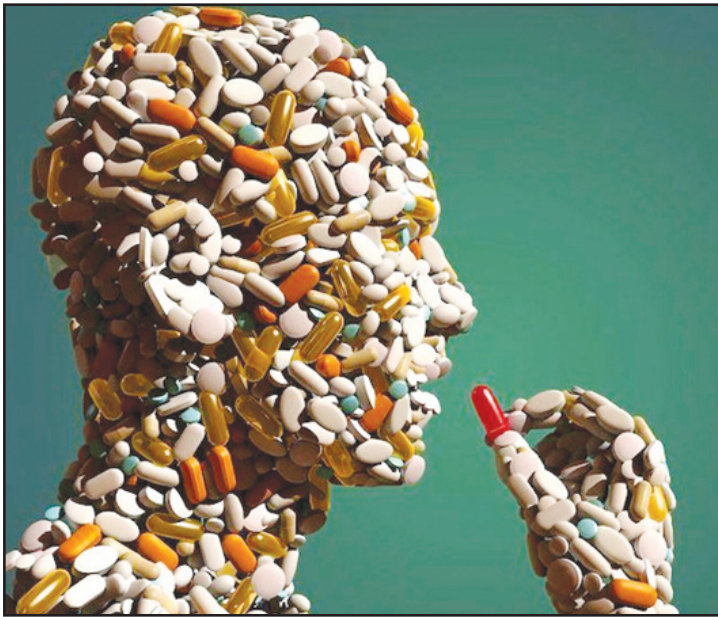
"We are waiting to know who was involved, but certainly there will be people that we know," said local resident

Laurent Sohn, adding that "the mountain has its rules" and "risk is part of the job" for guides.

Rescuers in Nepal had given up hope of finding more survivors after the group of climbers was hit by a wall of snow in their tents near the peak of the 8,156-metre (26,759-foot) Manaslu in the early hours of Sunday.

Health & Living

Performance-enhancing drugs, now a public health matter



The use of performance-enhancing drugs is now a public health matter rather than simply a sporting problem, delegates said at a top anti-doping conference. "If we believe that around three percent of high school boys in the U.S. are taking a steroid or growth hormone, then that's a public health issue," said Dr. Timothy Armstrong of the World Health Organization (WHO). "Substance abuse in any shape or form has a physical and mental health aspect to it. The WHO, being the lead UN (United Nations) agency on health matters, takes this issue quite seriously."

Armstrong was speaking at the conference organized by the Arne Ljungqvist Foundation, named after the Swedish anti-doping official, who is also chairman of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) medical commission.

Ljungqvist, who invited the likes of the WHO and World Anti-Doping Agency to the meeting, shared Armstrong's opinion. "This is a first attempt to highlight this matter as a public health issue, which in my view it is," he said at a press briefing. "Elite sport

plays an obvious role. They are the role models of youngsters and if they are drug takers, it is not the right role model for the coming society. I am so happy today to see these international authorities coming together and sharing these concerns that are being expressed and I hope that we can find common ways to deal with them," he added.

WADA Director General David Howman told the briefing that what happens in elite sport has an effect on wider society and that the sharing of information was crucial to tackling the problem of doping. "What we have learned in the last 10 years is that there is a trickle-down effect into recreational sports and the high schools," said Howman, adding that health and law enforcement authorities had their part to play.

"In Australia now, the customs people share their information with the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Agency (ASADA), and already 40 percent of their anti-doping rule violations come from that sort of information. That's a very good example of how it can work when people work together."

Howman said a similar effort prior to July and August's London Olympics had led to "several cases" of doping being discovered. "The UK Anti-Doping Agency had a similar arrangement with customs and police and they were able to give information to the IOC. The anti-doping program that was run during the Games was based on that intelligence. My understanding is that it led to several cases that were discovered in the out-of-competition phase."

Dr. Armstrong agreed that such co-operation was essential for dealing with doping, adding that more data was needed to assess the scale of the problem. "Each of our organizations has a piece of the pie and can only work in the areas where we have a mandate to work. But we can join with our sister agencies such as UNESCO and other potential partners such as WADA and the IOC. We all require better data to inform prevalence - how many people are taking what substances and the adverse social and health effects as a consequence of that."

New SARS-like mystery illness emerges in Mideast

LONDON (AFP) - The World Health Organisation issued a global alert on Monday for a new SARS-like respiratory virus which left a man from Qatar critically ill in a London hospital and killed at least one more in Saudi Arabia.

The 49-year-old Qatari was admitted to an intensive care unit in Doha on September 7 suffering from acute respiratory infection and kidney failure before being transferred to Britain by air ambulance on, the WHO said.

The WHO confirmed the illness was in the coronavirus family but was not SARS, or Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome, which swept out of China in 2003, killing more than 800 people worldwide.

Coronaviruses are causes of the common cold but can also include more severe illnesses including SARS.

The HPA said the new virus was "different from any that have previously been identified in humans."



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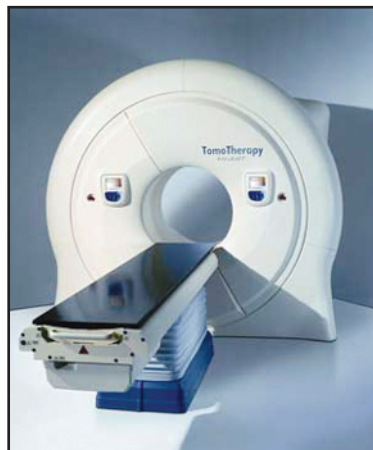
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--A picture released by the Committee for Research and Independent Information on Genetic Engineering (CRIIGEN) shows a combination image of three pictures featuring rats with tumors after they were fed a diet of genetically modified (GMO) maize produced by US chemical giant Monsanto. CRIIGEN researchers examined a two-year study, that shows the long-term toxicity of GMOs and chemical weed killer "Round-up", establishing "alarming" results according to professor Gilles-Eric Seralini.

AFP PHOTO

French trial opens on cancer radiation scandal



PARIS (AFP) - Two doctors and a radiophysicist went on trial Monday on manslaughter charges arising from radiation overdoses given to nearly 450 cancer patients in a French hospital.

At least seven people died as a result of overdoses administered to patients at the Jean Monnet hospital in Epinal in northeastern France between 2001 and 2006.

At least 24 people treated between May 2004 and August 2005 received 20 percent more radiation than they should have had due to a calibration error.

Another dysfunction led to 424 people being overdosed by between eight and 10 percent in the period spanning 2001 and 2006. Many of the victims were being treated for prostate cancer.

Scores of victims are due to testify from Monday until October 31, some of them by video-link because they are too ill to attend court.

"We want the guilty to be punished, I don't want my three sons to suffer the same fate," said plaintiff Michel Houot, speaking shortly before the trial began.

The two doctors, Jean-Francois Sztermer, 64, Michel Aubertel, 62, and radiophysicist Joshua Anah, 54, are accused of involuntary homicide, not helping people in danger and destroying evidence.

Three health executives are also in the dock on charges of failing to help people in danger.

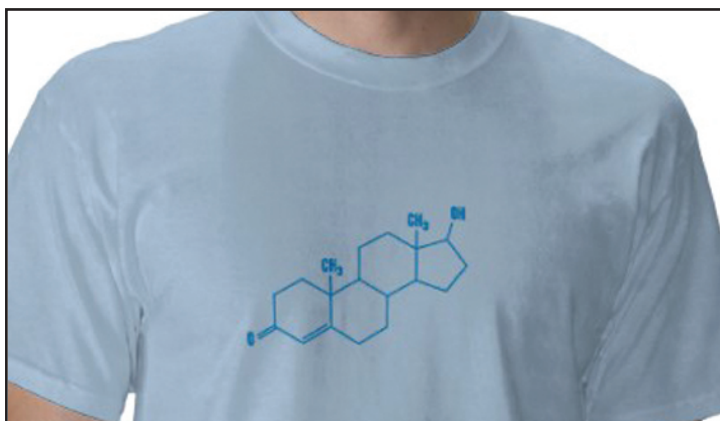
The errors occurred in calibrating new machines acquired in 2004 and in the calculation of doses of radiation.



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Sci-Tech

New proof testosterone reason women outlive men: study



WASHINGTON (AFP) - Scientists said Monday they have new evidence about why women live longer than men, from a study of historical data showing castrated Koreans far outlived their non-eunuch contemporaries.

The study, published in the scientific journal "Current Biology," used detailed genealogical records of the Imperial nobility during Korea's Joseon dynasty, which spanned more than 500 years from the late 1300s to the early 1900s.

According to the data, most men, including kings and royal family members, died in their late-40s or early-50s.

But noble-class eunuchs -- men who were castrated either by accident or because of social benefits -- lived, on average, to the ripe, old age of 70.

Study author Kyung-Jin Min of South Korea's Inha University, told AFP the reason is probably that manly hormone, testosterone:

"Testosterone is known to increase the incidence of coronary heart disease and reduce immune function in males," he said.

Castration "removes the source of male sex hormones," the study notes, adding the practice has already been proven to help many male animals live longer.



Castration also cuts off the possibility of reproduction, which Kyung-Jin noted could also be a factor.

According to "one of the leading theories of aging, aging occurs at the expense of reproduction," he said, because the body has limited energy that can be used either to keep up reproductive function, or else to keep up everything else.

But although the eunuchs could not father children biologically, they married, adopted and raised children, and generally lived lives very similar to their non-castrated peers.

"In order to eliminate socioeconomic factors that could have affected lifespan, the lifespan of the eunuchs was compared to the lifespan of men from other Yan-ban (noble class) families with a similar socioeconomic status," Kyung-Jin said.

And "to exclude genetic factors that could have affected the lifespan, we compared the lifespan of eunuchs with multiple Yan-ban families."

Modern men looking to extend their lifespan could consider "testosterone reduction therapy," but Kyung-Jin said it's probably premature.

For one thing, it is not clear if it would have an effect if the therapy were started at an older age -- the eunuchs were all castrated as children.

And for another, the therapy could have side effects that some men may feel make that longer life less worth living.

"We may need to consider the side effects of it," Kyung-Jin said, "mainly, reduction of sex drive in males."



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Nearly 1.5 million people displaced by floods in India



GUWAHATI (AFP) - Floods have forced nearly 1.5 million people to flee their homes in northeastern India where authorities have declared a health alert, officials said on Monday.

The floods, caused by relentless rains, marked the second round of massive flooding in two months to hit India's impoverished northeast and come towards the end of India's June-to-September

monsoon season.

Eighteen of 27 districts of Assam have been hit by floods with nearly 130 people dead and six million displaced in Assam state in July.

Rescue officials said in the latest floods, at least 2,200 villages had been swamped by overflowing waters from the rain-swollen Brahmaputra River.

Himanta Biswa Sarmah, the health minister of Assam state, told AFP that a "maximum health alert" to avert outbreaks of diarrhea or diseases such as typhoid had been declared in the devastated zone.

The annual monsoon provides vital irrigation for India's farmers but also claims many casualties from flooding and landslides.

Victims and an opposition party staged protests in flood-hit areas against what they said were shortages of emergency supplies in the Congress-ruled state.

Rehab India Foundation, a voluntary group said heavy rains disrupted its plans to supply food and other essential items to flood-hit people.

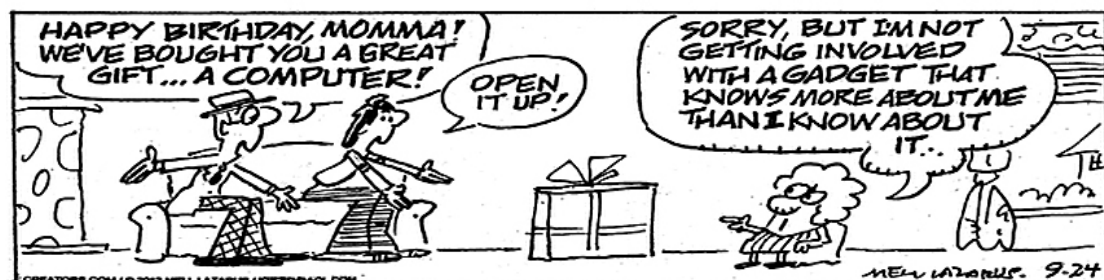
Almost the entire 420 square kilometres (162 square miles) of Kaziranga National Park was also flooded, the Press Trust of India reported.

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17. Greek mount
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33. Round at

34. Pop's Govt. mortgage guarantor
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37. Unrequited lover's distance
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39. Larger-than-life stars
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41. Meek ____ lamb
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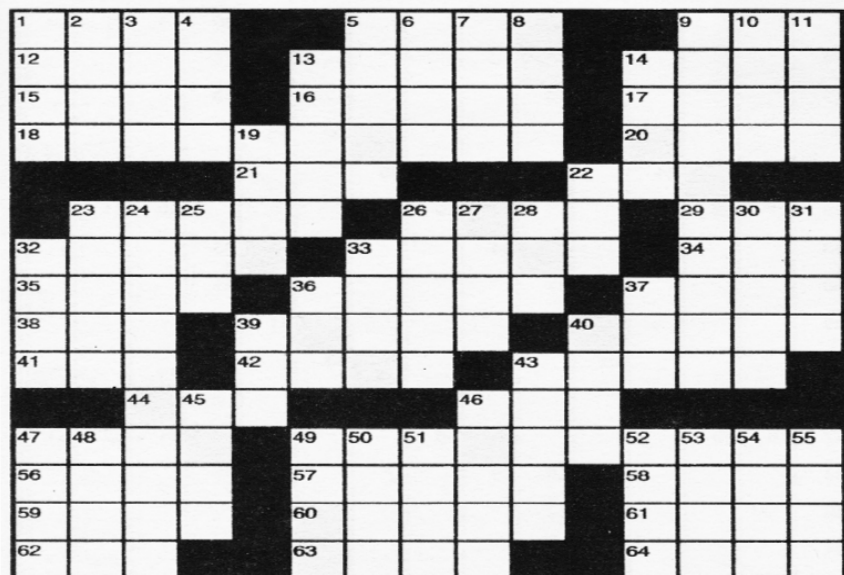
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13. Drooping
14. Onus
19. Negatives in North Ayrshire
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23. Rich tapestry
24. Nursery's huffer and puffer
25. Bonnet dweller?
26. Roaming tribesman
27. Stirs
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31. Venetian endearment
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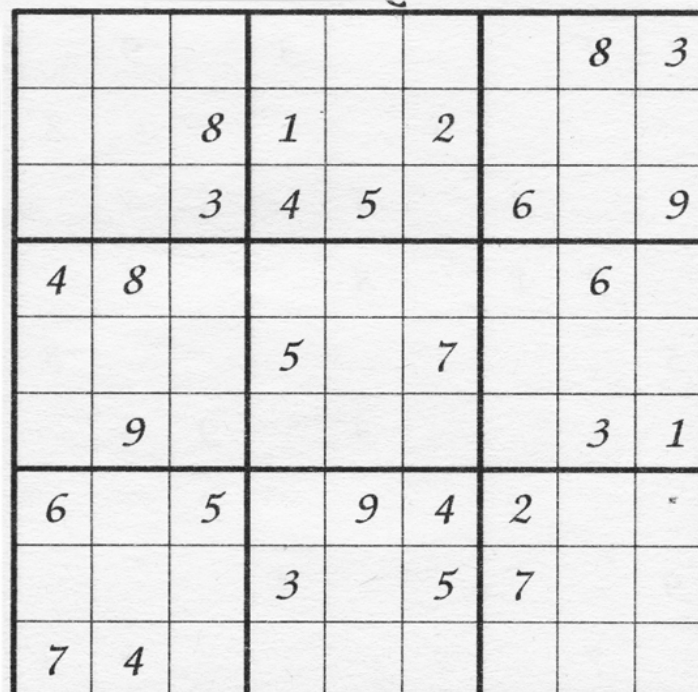
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Finance

Wall Street falls on worrisome German data, energy slides



Stocks fell modestly yesterday after disappointing German data added to evidence about the weak prospects for the global economy's growth.

German business sentiment slipped for a fifth consecutive month in September, showing Europe's strongest economy was moving closer toward recession as the euro zone continues to struggle with its debt crisis.

Concerns about a stalling global economy were reflected in energy-related shares as the PHLX oil service sector index shed 1.4 percent to go with a 1.7 percent drop in U.S. crude oil. Global demand worries

sent crude prices down more than 6 percent last week.

The S&P 500 had risen nearly 6 percent from the start of August through mid-September on expectations of central bank stimulus. On September 6, the ECB announced its bond-buying plan, and a week later, the Federal Reserve announced a third round of quantitative easing intended to bolster the economy and reduce U.S. unemployment.

The central bank actions have served to buoy stock prices and keep market corrections in check despite concerns about the global economy, with the S&P 500 unable to muster a move of more than 0.4 percent in either direction since the Fed's announcement.

"We've rallied back on what - nothing has gotten better - therefore, all that tells you the market is not operating on fundamentals, but on the fact that everyone knows Bernanke is there," said Ken Polcari, managing director of ICAP Equities in New York.

"This market should be off much more than it was in order to price the real risk in, the fact is, it can't."

Lagarde: IMF likely to cut global growth estimates

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The International Monetary Fund is likely to lower its growth estimates for the global economy when they are published next month, IMF chief Christine Lagarde said yesterday.

"We continue to project a gradual recovery, but global growth will likely be a bit weaker than we had anticipated even in July," Lagarde said in a speech, according to the prepared text.

The IMF is slated to release its latest global growth forecasts on October 9 at an annual meeting with the World Bank in Tokyo, Japan. In July the Washington-based global lender projected global growth of 3.5 percent in 2012 and 3.9 percent in 2013.

"Our forecast has trended downward over the last 12 months," Lagarde said, underscoring that the global economy "is still fraught with uncertainty" after the global recession.

The IMF managing director issued a clear call for action to fight the weakening global economy.

"My main message today," she told a Washington think-tank, is "the urgent need to implement the policy actions required to secure the global recovery."

Lagarde said that "Europe obviously remains the epicenter of the crisis and where the most urgent action is needed." She pointed to an urgent need for a eurozone banking union.

Facebook tumbles on negative comments

NEW YORK (AFP) - Facebook shares plunged nearly 11 percent yesterday after an influential markets publication said the stock is only worth \$15.

The shares dropped as low \$20.36, sharply down from Friday's close of \$22.86, before paring losses in afternoon trade.

The fall came after Barron's, the markets-focused newspaper and website, published a story saying the world's largest online social networking company was still sharply overvalued despite trading at just over half of its initial price.





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Hillary Clinton calls for higher taxes on global elite

NEW YORK (AFP) - US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton entered the 2012 US presidential campaign fray for the first time yesterday, highlighting a burning issue at the center of debate -- taxing the wealthy.

"One of the issues that I have been preaching about around the world is collecting taxes in an equitable manner, especially from the elites in every country," Clinton told a glittering New York conference.

Winning some laughter at the forum on the sidelines of the UN General Assembly, she insisted: "You know I'm out of American politics, but it is a fact that around the world the elites of every country are making money."

Democratic US President Barack Obama, fighting for reelection in November, and his bitter rival, Republican Mitt Romney, have laid out starkly different visions for how to boost the struggling US economy.

Multi-millionaire former businessman Romney has proposed cutting income tax rates by 20 percent across the board, eliminating tax on investment income, and slashing the corporate tax rate.

Obama has said Romney's \$5 trillion tax plan would mostly benefit the wealthy and force the US government to boost taxes on families with children by \$2,000 (1,550 euros) per year.

Instead, Obama favors

higher taxes for the nation's wealthiest.

Talking in general terms at the Clinton Global Initiative, Clinton insisted: "There are rich people everywhere and yet they do not contribute to the growth of their own countries."

"They don't invest in public schools, in public hospitals, in other kinds of development internally," she told the aid foundation set up by her husband, former Democratic president Bill Clinton.

But as countries seek to stop being aid recipients, Clinton said taxes were vital to "mobilize their own domestic resources for long-term development. And so it means for leaders telling powerful people things they don't want to hear."

"It means being transparent about budgets and revenues, and bringing corruption to light and when that happens, we shouldn't punish countries for uncovering corruption; we should reward them for doing so. And it means putting into place regulations designed to attract and protect investment."

Clinton, who was defeated by Obama in 2008 to be the Democratic presidential candidate, has so far ruled out a run in 2016.

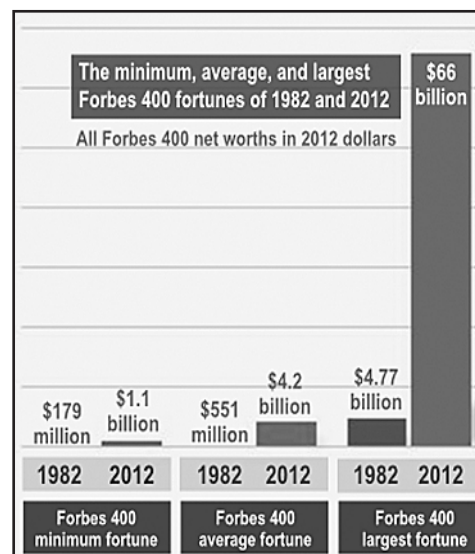
On Sunday, Bill Clinton left the matter open, saying: "I have no earthly idea what she will decide to do. I think we ought to give her a chance to organize her life and decide what she wants to do."

MONDAY'S Crossword Answer



Then and Now: The Forbes 400

No single set of statistics better dramatizes just how enormously wealth in the United States has concentrated than the annual list of America's 400 richest from Forbes magazine. According to the latest list, released last week, the average Forbes 400 deep pocket today rates as almost eight times richer than the average top 400 listee in 1982, the first year Forbes began keeping an annual wealth tally.



Thriller 'Homeland' dethrones 'Mad Men' at Emmys



The cast and crew of *Modern Family*, winner of the award for outstanding comedy series, pose backstage at the 64th Primetime Emmy Awards in Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Spy thriller "Homeland" won best TV drama at the Emmy awards Sunday, ending retro cult show "Mad Men" four-year unbroken run, while "Modern Family" was named best comedy for the third straight year.

Election campaign film "Game Change," about John McCain's Republican running mate Sarah Palin's implosion in the doomed 2008 White House race, meanwhile won best mini-series or movie at US television's annual awards show.

"Homeland," about a CIA agent probing a US Marine who went missing in Iraq and is suspected of planning a terrorist attack, is only in its first season but has earned rave reviews and nine Emmy nominations for pay channel

Showtime.

As well as the 64th Annual Primetime Emmys' top prize for best drama, the show also won best drama writing and best drama actor and actress for Briton Damian Lewis and Claire Danes.

"Mad Men," about life and love in a 1960s New York advertising agency, has won best drama every year since its 2007 premier, and was hoping to break the Emmys record with a fifth win this year.

But the show, which was nominated in 17 categories, went home empty-handed.

On the lighter side, mockumentary-style "Modern Family" won its third straight Best Comedy series Emmy with a cast of gay, step-sibling and generally non-orthodox nuclear family characters.

It also collected supporting-acting prizes for Eric Stonestreet and Julie Bowen and a best-directing Emmy for series co-creator Steven Levitan.

Edgy British comic Ricky Gervais, known for his near-the-nuckle jokes as Golden Globes host, was relatively restrained in his turn presenting a relatively minor award.

"So much better than the Golden Globes," he said, joking that organizers had chosen to give him the "big one" category of directing on a variety special, won by Glenn Weiss for Broadway's 65th annual Tony Awards. and

Daily Show comedy news frontman Jon Stewart, accepting the best variety show award, was among the few to test the live broadcast 5-second delay for bad language, after pretend-fighting with rivals Stephen Colbert and Jimmy Fallon.

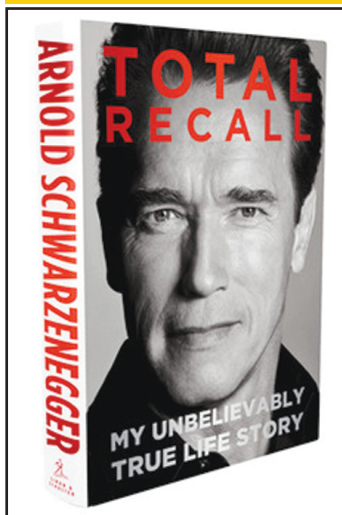
Best comedy supporting actress went to Julie Bowen also of "Modern Family," while Louis C.K. won best comedy writer for his series "Louis," as well as best writer for his live show.

Veteran actress Kathy Bates -- who only this month revealed that she was diagnosed with breast cancer and had a double mastectomy -- won best guest actress in a comedy series for her appearance on hit show "Two and a Half Men."

Actor Michael J Fox, who semi-retired after being diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease but announced last month that he will star in a new TV show, won a standing ovation when he presented "Modern Family" with the best comedy prize.

Julianne Moore, who won best TV movie actress for HBO's "Game Change," thanked Palin, who she played. "I feel so validated, because Sarah Palin gave me a big thumbs down," she said.

Arnold Schwarzenegger's Memoir



--Former California governor Arnold Schwarzenegger has written a new memoir called "Total Recall: My Unbelievably True Life Story" which will be released next week.

The book reveals the painful details of the infidelity and scandal that ruined his 25-year marriage to Maria Shriver -- describing the day she con-

fronted him about his love child while in couples counseling.

The 65 year old actor writes that Maria Shriver waited until a day after he left the California governor's office in 2011 to confirm her long-held suspicion that he was a cheater.

"The minute we sat down, the therapist turned to me and said, 'Maria wanted to come here today to ask about a child -- whether you fathered a child with your housekeeper Mildred'."

The 624-page book, published by Simon & Schuster and co-written with best-selling author Peter Petre, describes Schwarzenegger's journey from rural Austria to the pinnacle of bodybuilding and movie stardom to the California governorship.

But the chapter about the affair, called "The Secret," has drawn most of the interest.



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US drummer Bradford Lee Parker dies



BRASILIA (AFP) - Parker of the Generation Esmeralda band died of a heart attack during a concert in the southeastern Brazilian city of Uba, one of the producers for the group said Monday. Sergio Lopes, a producer for the group in Brazil, told the G1 news portal that the 59-year-old Parker died Sunday in the Minas Gerais state city. Television pictures showed the moment when Parker collapsed on his instrument. The show was interrupted and he was rushed to hospital. Parker's body was to be flown back to California in the next few hours, G1 said. Generation Esmeralda is a disco group formed by ex-members of Santa Esmeralda, a franco-US band of the 1970's.

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"You never get a second chance to make a first impression," believes Aaron. Upon entering 5 Burgers Aruba in The Village Mall in Palm Beach, one is struck by utterly spotless surroundings and a smiling, friendly, attentive service crew. Of course, the main item on the menu is burgers-the way they were meant to be, thick and juicy,

made fresh daily and 100% pure beef, the kind that made the hamburger a traditional American treat.

However, beginning at 7 a.m., patrons can now order 2 eggs any style, (omelets with 3 fillings are \$7.99) toast and coffee with unlimited refills for the special introductory price of only \$3.99, (\$4.49 with bacon) or All-you-can-eat pancakes, for \$6.99, again, with free refills on fresh coffee. Breakfast is served until 11 a.m. Famous for their fries made from fresh potatoes, Aaron has been working for months on devising the most irresistible home fries recipe, chunky and tender with skins still on; after much testing and tasting, he got the thumbs up from his harshest critic, Rosie; so this is another treat you have to try.

A glance at their burger menu will certainly tempt you to return for lunch or dinner, to sample their famous specialty items such as the Gouda, Farmer's or Man Burger (al-



most 12 ounces of choice beef), and a Western Burger with Aarons' secret-recipe crispy onion rings. All of these can be personalized with an incredible array of toppings, (mushrooms, jala-peño peppers, bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato...whatever, the list goes on) at absolutely no extra cost.

5 Burger portions are ENORMOUS! Aaron suggests that even their small serving of fries is enough to be shared by

two. He was very amused to watch a famous French chef demonstrating the best way to make fried potatoes on a gourmet cooking show and could only comment "He stole my recipe!"

Try them the English way-with vinegar, and you'll wonder how you ever ate fries without it. This same 5-star chef also swears by Gouda as the best topping for the ideal gourmet cheeseburger.

5 Burgers is now open early until 10-ish at night; delivery is available to both the high-rise and low-rise hotel and beach district at now extra cost for orders over \$50. Enjoy a great lunch without ever leaving the beach by calling 586-3904. However, we suggest you stop by and enjoy their authentic, heartfelt hospitality; it is not unusual for either owner to sit and chat, sharing their knowledge of the island while making sure patrons are happy with their meal.

SPORTS

Football: Madrid back on track with Rayo win



Karim Benzema celebrating his goal

MADRID (AFP) - Real Madrid kept Barcelona in their sights as an early goal from Karim Benzema put them on their way to a 2-0 win over Rayo Vallecano - but they remain eight points behind the Catalan side, who are yet to drop a point this season.

Benzema struck after 13 minutes and Cristiano Ronaldo added a second mid-way through the second half as Jose Mourinho's side came out on top in the match suspended on Sunday due to floodlight failure caused by sabotage.

In injury time Jose Casado was dismissed for the home side after receiving his second yellow card.

The green light was finally given to play the game on Monday evening at Rayo's Estadio de Vallecas ground in what was a tough battle for

Madrid against city rivals Rayo with the pressure on after Barcelona beat Granada 2-0 on Saturday, their fifth win in succession, while Madrid had only one.

Sergio Ramos returned to the side after being dropped for Madrid's Champions League victory over Manchester City last week, while Michael Essien was also given the nod over Sami Khedira to partner Xabi Alonso in front of the defence in a more offensive formation than against the Premiership side as Luka Modric returned.

Jemez has shown an admirable commitment to attacking football and they faced the champions with two wingers in Jose Carlos and Lass Bangoura, who had full licence to go forward.

Apart from a dangerous

header from Pepe, saved by keeper Ruben Martinez, Rayo took the game to Madrid, who were reduced to committing a series of fouls and Essien was yellow carded for a handball.

However, Madrid conjured up an excellent goal on the counter-attack which spanned the length of the pitch and was finished off by Benzema, who knocked the ball in from close range from a Angel Di Maria cross on the left.

Madrid were not comfortable at the back and Alvaro Arbeloa gifted the ball to Lass at the start of the second half but he failed to control with just Casillas to beat.

In an open game Essien and Ronaldo shot narrowly wide as did Jose Carlos for Rayo before Ronaldo's penalty decided the game after 70 minutes.

It was the Portuguese's cross that was handled by centre-half Jordi Amat and Ronaldo took the spot-kick, sending the keeper the wrong way.

Minutes later Ronaldo could have extended Madrid's advantage but he hit the post from a Gonzalo Higuain pass with the goal gaping.

In the second minute of injury time frustration got the better of Casado, who left his foot in as he challenged Mesut Ozil and was given his second yellow card.



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Baseball: Canada, Spain advance to World Baseball Classic

NEW YORK (AFP) - Chris Robinson, Adam Loewen and Jimmy Van Ostrand smacked home runs to lead Canada over Germany 11-1 on Monday to win a four-nation qualifying tournament for next year's World Baseball Classic.

Canadian pitcher Andrew Albers allowed the hosts only one hit in six innings for the victory in advancing to the 16-team field for next March's global showdown of top talent, including North American Major League Baseball players.

Also advancing from a qualifying tournament was Spain, which edged Israel 9-7 in 10 innings to advance at Jupiter, Florida. South Africa and France were eliminated there while Britain and the

Czech Republic were ousted in Germany.

Taiwan and Panama are set to host qualifying events in November to decide the final two teams in the tournament.

New Zealand, Thailand and Philippines will challenge Taiwan in Asia while Panama will host Nicaragua, Colombia and Brazil.

Japan won the two prior editions of the Classic, which is staged every four years. The semi-finals and finals will be staged in San Francisco next March.

Automatic qualifiers for the last 16 include Japan, South Korea, China, Cuba, Australia, the United States, Italy, Netherlands, Dominican Republic, Mexico, Venezuela and Puerto Rico.

Golf: Woods, McIlroy ready for Ryder Cup showdown

ATLANTA (AFP) - World No. 1 Rory McIlroy and No. 2 Tiger Woods are set to lead their Ryder Cup teams this week after final-round fades cost them a chance at a \$10 million US PGA playoff prize.

American Brandt Snedeker, a US Ryder Cup captain's choice selection by Davis Love, won the Tour Championship on Sunday at East Lake to win a record \$11.44 million and jump to 10th in the rankings ahead of this weekend's showdown.

Holders Europe boast four of the world's top five players with England's Luke Donald, Lee Westwood and Justin Rose joining McIlroy in that select group.

"I'm just going to really enjoy it. It's going to be a good week," McIlroy said. "I'm looking forward to it."

Woods, a 14-time major

champion chasing the record of 18 majors won by Jack Nicklaus but without a major title since 2008, looked forward to a rest day on Monday before beginning Ryder Cup practice sessions at Medinah.

"It will be nice to shut it down and gear up again because we've got a long, long week ahead of us," Woods said. "We're all going to need our energy and get our rest when we can"

Woods, who has seen 18 majors come and go since he last won one, is happy to be healthier and more competitive and consistent than he was a year ago.

"Considering where I was at last year, it's nice to be where I'm at now," he said. "I was obviously struggling with my health last year and this year I was able to turn it around and I played some pretty good golf this year."



Woods won at the Arnold Palmer Invitational, the Memorial and the PGA National in 2012 and contended at majors, showing flashes of the form that made him a legend but not often enough to capture a major crown.

McIlroy won his second career major title, adding last month's PGA Championship to his breakthrough triumph at the 2011 US Open, and

nearly added the playoff crown to his haul.

"You've got to treat it like a four or five-week tournament," McIlroy said. "It adds excitement to the end of the year. Obviously, you've got the Ryder Cup next week, so that's going to be exciting too, but it definitely gives people something to watch and something to hang on to after the majors are finished."

"I'm not going to complain. It's been a great year, and I'm very happy with how I'm playing still."

"I'm looking forward to meeting up with all the guys. Just to get back into that team atmosphere and team spirit. It should be good fun. I'm just going to go there and enjoy it and try and help Team Europe out as much as I can." (file photo)



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ALOHA BRIDGE CLUB ARUBA - BRIDGE RESULTS



Thursday, September 20th, 2012

A total of 10 pairs attended the bridge play at the Members Lounge of the Aruba Beach Club Resort.

The following guest players joined the group: Betty Williamson, Daksha Patel and

Ashok Patel

The results 50% and higher are as follows:

- 1) Joke Henriquez / Geke In 't Veld 63.21 %
- 2) Stascha Hornix / Addy Eilers 61.98 %
- 3) Cornelia Sloterdijk / Els Lacle 60.42 %
- 4) Henk Berghuizen / Anne de Vries 50.78 %
- 5) Edith Henriquez / Sheila Lampe 50.38 %.

Friday, September 21st, 2012

A total of 7 pairs attended our evening bridge session at the Frank Conway Room of the Casa del Mar Beach Resort.

The following guest players joined the group: Daksha and Ashok Patel.

The results 50% and higher are as follows:

- 1) Cobie van den Hazel/ ChrisJoosten 62.50 %
- 2) Willy Flanegin / Joke Henriquez 53.75 %
- 3) Marleen van Baarlen/ Carmen Kruythoff 52.50 %

Aloha Bridge Club Aruba meets twice a week: on Thursday mornings at the Members Lounge of the Aruba Beach Club Resort, starting at 9.00 am and on Friday evenings at the Frank Conway Room of the Casa del Mar Beach Resort, starting at 7.30 pm. Signing up closes ten minutes before starting time.

Fee for guest players: US \$ 6.00 per person; fee for members: Afl. 6.50 per person. The club can also be of assistance in getting single players a bridge partner. Please call Addy Eilers: tel. 582-4953.

MLB: Washington 12, Milwaukee 2



Washington Nationals' Bryce Harper, right, celebrates with Ian Desmond after he scored during the first inning

WASHINGTON -- Jordan Zimmermann allowed four hits over 6 2/3 innings and had an early RBI Monday in the Washington Nationals' 12-2 win over the Milwaukee Brewers.

Ryan Zimmerman finished

with two runs, three hits, including a three-run home run, and four RBI in leading the Nationals' offense.

Milwaukee starter Marco Estrada (4-7) was charged with seven runs -- six earned -- in four innings. He walked two and struck out three.

Walsh Jennings was pregnant when she won gold



NEW YORK (AFP) - Kerri Walsh Jennings revealed on Monday that she was pregnant last month when she and fellow American Misty May-Treanor teamed up to win a women's beach volleyball gold medal at the London Olympics. Walsh Jennings, 34, said she and husband Casey Jennings, also a pro beach volleyball player, conceived first son Joey before leaving China after she won the 2008 Olympic crown. She and May-Treanor also won at Athens in 2004. And they are already talking about defending the crown again at the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympics. The new baby, due April 9, will join sons Joey, 3, and Sundance, 2.

Football: Referee complains over Twitter abuse

LONDON (AFP) - English Premier League referee Mark Halsey has informed Greater Manchester Police of two abusive tweets following his handling of Sunday's match between Liverpool and Manchester United.

Halsey received the insulting messages, which made mention of his suffering from throat cancer, after overseeing United's 2-1 win at Anfield where he sent off Liverpool's Jonjo Shelvey.

Two tweets were sent out by unhappy Liverpool fans following the game, both of which were met with outrage from other Twitter users.

One post, from an account named @johnwareing1, read: "I hope Mark Halsey gets cancer again and dies" while another from @lfcjohn259 read: "Mark Halsey should've died of cancer."

Halsey returned to refereeing in March 2010 and Professional Game Match Officials Limited said in a statement: "PGMO abhors any abuse of match officials whether that is in stadia or outside of it. "Our main concern is towards Mark and his family, and as with all match officials, there is a backroom team who are there for them."

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NFL: Smith stars after tragedy to spark Ravens over Patriots



WASHINGTON (AFP) - Hours after his younger brother's death in a motorcycle accident, Torrey Smith caught six passes for 127 yards and two touchdowns Sunday to spark Baltimore over New England 31-30 in an NFL showdown.

The Ravens receiver wiped away tears moments before the game began after a moment of silence for his brother, Tevin Jones, who died in an early morning crash and for whom Smith dedicated his effort.

"It means a lot to me. It means a lot to my family as well," Smith said. "That was for my little brother."

"I almost didn't play. I thank everybody for all the

support, my teammates and friends. My high school coach is taking care of my mom. Everyone is showing a lot of love."

Smith caught a 5-yard touchdown pass from Joe Flacco to pull Baltimore within 30-28 with 4:01 to play. He had caught a 25-yard touchdown pass from Flacco in the second quarter for the Ravens' first points.

"It's unbelievable," Flacco said. "I can't imagine what he's going through. For him to show up and play is one thing. Then to play the way he did, and our guys to rally around him, was really unbelievable."

After a New England punt, a pass interference penalty on the Patriots set up Justin

Tucker's game-winning 27-yard field goal on the final play, giving the Ravens their first regular-season victory over New England in seven tries.

Atlanta, Arizona and Houston emerged as the NFL's only undefeated teams after three weeks, two clubs doing so after knocking off other unbeaten squads, but the day's most emotional game was at Baltimore.

The Patriots and Ravens met for the first time since last season's playoff semifinal showdown last

January, which New England won 23-20 to reach the Super Bowl after Baltimore missed a field goal in the final seconds.

This time, Baltimore got the field goal on coach John Harbaugh's 50th birthday and dropped the Patriots to 1-2 for the first time since 2001 and below .500 at any point in the season for the first time in nine years.

Ray Rice's 7-yard touchdown run 3:24 into the third quarter gave the Ravens a 21-20 lead, but New England answered on Danny Woodhead's 3-yard touchdown run and a 20-yard Stephen Gostkowski field goal, setting up Smith's late heroics.

"For that guy to even be out here and having the game he had, it was amazing," Rice said.

Arizona's Kevin Kolb made Philadelphia pay for trading him to the Cardinals last year, completing 17-of-24 passes for 222 yards and two touchdowns in a 27-6 home rout of the previously unbeaten Eagles.

"They played better than we did," Eagles coach Andy Reid said. "That's my responsibility. I didn't have my football team ready to play. They did."

The Cardinals have not started 3-0 since 1974 when they were still based in St. Louis. The team moved to Arizona before the 1988 season.

Atlanta's Matt Ryan completed 30-of-40 passes for 275 yards and three touchdowns to power the Falcons over previously unbeaten host San Diego 27-3.

Michael Turner ran for 80 yards and a touchdown for Atlanta, 3-0 for the first time since 2004.

Houston's Matt Schaub completed 17-of-30 passes for 290 yards and four touchdowns to give Texas a 31-25 victory at Denver, pushing the Texans to 3-0 for the first time since the club first took the field in 2002.

Peyton Manning completed half of his 52 passes, his 26

misfires the most in his NFL career, for 330 yards and two fourth-quarter touchdowns in a losing cause.

San Francisco missed a chance to start 3-0 for the first time since 1998 with a 24-13 loss at Minnesota, with Christian Ponder throwing two touchdown passes to Kyle Rudolph and running for another touchdown for the host Vikings.

Ryan Succop kicked the last of his six field goals 8:33 into over-time to give Kansas City a 27-24 victory at New Orleans. The Chiefs scored the game's last 21 points to leave the Saints and Cleveland the NFL's only winless teams.

New Orleans quarterback Drew Brees completed a touchdown pass in his 46th consecutive game, one shy of the NFL record held by Johnny Unitas.

Tennessee edged Detroit 44-41 on a 26-yard over-time field goal by Rob Bironas while Nick Folk's over-time kick gave the New York Jets a 23-20 victory over Miami.

In other games Sunday, Cincinnati beat Washington 38-31, Oakland edged Pittsburgh 34-31, Jacksonville downed Indianapolis 22-17, Dallas defeated Tampa Bay 16-10, Chicago routed St. Louis 23-6 and Buffalo beat Cleveland 24-14.